

companies, too, are using funds derived from the public. Just as we feel that the government should not be given the undue protection of secrecy, so do we feel that private corporations should not be given the protection of the secrecy they have under the act.

In addition to the kind of thing to which I have just referred, I should like to say a word about two other organizations which have appeared in recent years. In fact, they appeared on the horizon since I first placed this bill on the order paper. First there is the organization known as Responsible Enterprise which is carried on by one Gladstone Murray. This gentleman wrote letters to certain corporations and firms to tell them of the mounting success of socialism and the things they must do to stop the advance of a certain political movement. He called upon them—

Mr. SMITH (Calgary West): Page Manitoba.

Mr. KNOWLES: We shall have an opportunity to say a word about Manitoba in a moment or two, and with a great deal of pleasure.

Mr. GRAYDON: Manitoba has just spoken.

Mr. KNOWLES: He appealed to these people, as individuals or on behalf of their firms, to make contributions to Responsible Enterprise, I think it is a perfectly legitimate request to ask that the country be told whether these contributions are being allowed as income tax deductions. If they are, it means that the people of the country are paying for the misinformation they get from an organization such as Responsible Enterprise.

Mr. HOMUTH: Does the C.I.O. issue a balance sheet and pay income taxes?

Mr. SPEAKER: I must remind the hon. gentleman that when an hon. member has the floor no interruption should take place. An hon. member is permitted to ask the hon. gentleman who has the floor if he may ask a question.

Mr. HOMUTH: That would take too long and it would lose its effect.

Mr. KNOWLES: Mr. Speaker, I appreciate your comment with respect to the interruption of the hon. member for Waterloo South, but I confess that I always enjoy his interruptions. I was quite interested that he came to bat so quickly to-night when apparently the shoe began to pinch.

Mr. SMITH (Calgary West): Will the hon. member permit a question? Since the hon. member is so anxious to expose private business

—I am opposed to that—will he join in asking for complete publicity of all union funds? I am opposed to both, but that is the answer.

Mr. MACKENZIE: That shoe pinches too.

Mr. KNOWLES: Do not worry, I am not falling for that one.

Mr. SMITH (Calgary West): I want the hon. member to understand that I am opposed to both.

Mr. KNOWLES: Another organization that has appeared on the horizon lately is known as General Relations Service Limited, with offices at 51 King Street West, Toronto, with which a certain Mr. B. A. Trestrail is connected. During the months just preceding the recent federal election we find that this organization, over the signature of this individual, was appealing to firms across Canada to contribute to his campaign against the political movement to which I happen to belong. In sending out letters appealing for funds Mr. Trestrail attached a printed form entitled "Retainer", and indicated that the contribution could be made by way of engaging the services of General Relations Service Limited for certain things which were listed and which all added up to the production of political propaganda.

Mr. VIAU: What about the *Manitoba Commonwealth*?

Mr. KNOWLES: I am glad the hon. member from Manitoba is interested in the *Manitoba Commonwealth*. The financial affairs of this political movement are open to the public.

Some hon. MEMBERS: Oh, oh.

Mr. KNOWLES: Oh, yes, they are. Not only do we comply with all the requirements of the elections act about publishing expenses at election time, but at our annual provincial conventions and at our biennial national conventions we make public statements of all the funds that are handled by this organization.

An hon. MEMBER: What is a convention?

Mr. KNOWLES: A convention is something this party holds in each province every year and in the dominion every second year.

Mr. HOMUTH: It does not do you much good.

Mr. KNOWLES: I just want to say that I do not speak with any undue anxiety about Responsible Enterprise or General Relations Service Limited because in the part of the country from which I come their efforts have not had a great deal of effect. A moment ago some one asked about Manitoba. I was in Manitoba until midnight last night, thanks